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Commissioner Earns Certificate from Academy for Excellence in Local Governance

COLLEGE PARK, Md. – Sept. 19, 2013 – Calvert County Commissioner Evan K. Slaughenhoupt Jr. participated in the 2013 graduation for Fellows from the Academy for Excellence in Local Governance. The ceremony took place Sept. 15 at the Memorial Chapel on the University of Maryland College Park campus.

More than 100 Maryland public officials received academy certificates. All of the participants completed a substantial number of program hours of core and elective classes designed to meet their professional needs as municipal or county officials in local government. The program not only enhanced the officials' understanding of local government issues and ethical standards for public service, but also helped develop a foundation for informed policy-making and effective governance.

"This graduation celebrates the important commitment to public service that these public officials have made," University of Maryland School of Public Policy Dean Donald F. Kettle said. "Their work in the academy not only prepares them for even greater service in the future; it lays the foundation for excellence in Maryland's government in the future. We're very proud of this important effort."

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The academy, which offered its first classes in 1998, is a collaborative effort between the University of Maryland School of Public Policy, the Maryland Municipal League and Maryland Association of Counties.

The School of Public Policy is recognized as one of the county's premier programs in public policy and management. For more than 25 years, it has delivered acclaimed leadership development and public policy programs to public (federal, state, and local) clients as well as for-and non-profit organizations and government agencies from abroad.

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